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In re Patent Application of:
Bill Hoerner et al.

Application No.: 09/249,916

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For: COUPLING MECHANISM AND PANEL FOR
SECTIONAL DOOR

Examiner: B. A. Lev

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Applicants begin this communication by expressing appreciation for the thorough examination of Application Number 09/249,916 as conveyed in a non-final Office Action mailed July 12, 2004. This communication is a response to said Office Action, and Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the following Amendments and Remarks.

Amendments to the Claims. There are no amendments to the claims. However, for the Examiner's convenience a complete listing of claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121, is provided beginning at page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3.